

## STAKEHOLDER COMMITTEE MEMBERS

City of Aberdeen

City of Cosmopolis

City of Hoquiam

Grays Harbor County

Port of Grays Harbor

Grays Harbor  
Chamber of Commerce

Grays Harbor  
Economic Development Council

Grays Harbor PUD

Grays Harbor County Sheriff

Grays Harbor Tourism

Grays Harbor Transit

WSDOT, Aberdeen PEO

State Senators

State Representatives

### Tribal Interests

Quinault Indian Nation

Confederated Tribes of the Chehalis

Squaxin Island Tribe

Hoh Tribe

Skokomish Tribe

Quileute Tribe

The stakeholder committee was made up of elected officials, city and tribal staff, emergency responders, and business and economic development agency representatives.

## ***Next Steps***

- Inform Local, State, and Federal Elected Officials of Priority Projects.
- Keep officials current of project status.
- Draft Report, January 2007.
- Final Report, March 2007.
- Work with Local Governments and Regional Transportation Planning Organization to move projects forward.

Project web site:

[www.wsdot.wa.gov/planning/studies/us101/aberdeen](http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/planning/studies/us101/aberdeen)

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## US 101 Regional Circulation Project

### **Addressing Congestion Issues in our Communities**

The US 101 Circulation Project was funded during the 2006 Legislative Session to address congestion issues along US 101 in the cities of Aberdeen, Cosmopolis, and Hoquiam. The project examined traffic circulation and identified opportunities to improve traffic flow and reduce delay while acknowledging the economic needs of the region.

The process provided opportunities for community cooperation and public involvement through three stakeholder committee meetings and two public open houses.

Traffic analysis and forecast data, bridge opening and maintenance data, rail statistics, and local and highway collision data were provided to stakeholders and the public in order to portray a complete picture of the congestion problem and assist the stakeholders in their decision making process.

Through this collaborative process, a prioritized list of projects was agreed upon by the participating stakeholder committee members as a unified vision of the needed transportation improvements in the area.



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## Grays Harbor County Stakeholder Committee Project Priority List

### **1. Full Truck Route Alternative - \$386M**

The Stakeholder Committee has identified the Full Truck Route as the top priority project. As an alternative to funding the entire Truck Route, the Stakeholder Committee recommends moving forward with the project in increments and pledges their support to carry forward this process. Their recommendation is as follows:

1a. Funding for re-evaluation of the NEPA EIS - re-evaluation of the EIS is needed to begin any construction. Funding for early engineering, including phasing analysis - \$5M

1b. Funding for environmental documentation, based on results of phasing analysis - \$3M

1c. Funding for Preliminary Engineering and Construction of Truck Route segments based on phasing analysis results - \$4M to \$378M

(Priority 1a and 1b must be done first.)

### **2. Tri-City Operational Improvements - \$10M**

The Tri-City Operational Improvements project provides more than 20 needed and visible improvements that can be implemented in the short term. The Stakeholder Committee recommends full funding for this project.

### **3. Wishkah Mall Access Improvements - \$4M**

To alleviate identified traffic problems caused by access issues at this regional destination, the Stakeholder Committee recommends funding the project in two phases.

3a. Funding for emergency vehicle access, turning movement and access revisions, signal interconnection, and re-striping the internal parking area - \$500k.

3b. Funding includes an investigation of constructing an alternative access road on the north side of US12. The project would include public involvement, right of way acquisition, preliminary engineering and construction - \$3.5M

### **4. Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) - \$9M**

This project would install changeable message signs, photo enforcement cameras, closed circuit television, and Highway Advisory Radio. Actual locations and configurations would be determined during design.

### **5. Improve Port Industrial Road - \$4M**

This project would improve capacity, traffic flow and safety by providing right and left turn lanes at key intersections and other improvements as identified in the Port Industrial Road Strategic Analysis.

### **Maintenance Priority Seismic Improvements - \$20M**

The regional highway system in the tri-city area is connected by five aging bridges, two of which require funding for seismic upgrades. Completion of this project is necessary to maintain access to regional hospitals, and fire and police protection in the event of a natural disaster.. The estimated costs for these repairs are listed below:

- Chehalis River Bridge- \$10M
- Wishkah River (Heron Street Bridge) - \$10M